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For: RECEPTION DATA SYNCHRONIZING APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND RECORDING MEDIUM WITH RECORDED RECEPTION DATA SYNCHRONIZING PROGRAM

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

By Official Action mailed January 28, 2004 restriction to one of the following inventions is required under 35 USC 121:

- a. Figures 1-3; claims 1, 6, 11 and 16.

In response, Applicant hereby elects claims 1, 6, 11 and 16 for examination in this case.

Early examination on the merits is courteously solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

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